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MEMORANDUM FOR: National Intelligence Officer for Near East and South Asia
FROM: Director of Central Intelligence
SUBJECT: Draft IIA, Prospects for Radicalism in Lebanon:
The Threat to US Interests

Although there is some merit to the comments of the Senior Review Panel, the document on radicalism in Lebanon is a good and valuable piece of work as it stands. On reading it, I thought that some of the implications for Barri and his AMAL organization and some other items which were covered in the discussion should well be brought up in the Key Judgments, which is probably what people will read. This estimate has operational value in alerting policymakers to the dimension of the threat in Lebanon and how it is likely to be projected outside Lebanon. Thus, it should go out quickly rather than being held for major reorganization. Any editing which brings out more clearly the alerting aspects of the document would be worth doing.

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